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1. For your information and reference, a brief description of ~~The ACT~~ crew members and other FJCape personnel now aboard KMHYNAL follows:

a. , 33, is the senior FJCape man aboard and is charged with complete responsibility for the operation, and has clearly demonstrated his ability to handle this job from the time he took over command from prior to departure from HTCURIO. (BA Princeton 1939; LLB Indiana 1942) is a writer by profession and is particularly qualified for this assignment because of his editorial work and his wartime WSWOMEN (P) assignments which included command of an Identity (A). is a contract agent paid \$6,000 per annum plus a living and quarters allowance as prescribed for the area when and if his family joins him. In all instances, no guarantees or plans have been made to KMHYNAL personnel regarding movement of dependents to LCFLAKE.

b. (B), 31, (GS-7, #3825) QKLUCID technician with considerable experience and training in this field both in ZRINFANT and WSWOMEN. is a quiet, introspective individual lacking initiative but cooperative and steady. His recent raise in grade, together with that given to (C), is in the nature of a temporary increase in recognition of his present duty station and to put these men on an equitable basis with the crew members.

c. , 22, (GS-7, #3825) also a QKLUCID technician, has proved a willing, versatile member of the KMHYNAL complement. Although his WSWOMEN service was on dry land, has readily taken to shipboard life and has a genuine mechanical aptitude together with an interest in Identity (D).

d. (E), 30, (GS-7, #3825) completes the QKLUCID group. is not a prepossessing individual and has a rather nervous manner. However, he is reputedly an excellent operator who was added to the vessel at (F) to fill position. At the time of removal, a replacement was unavailable on immediate notice and was later added as and were unable to establish contact and properly operate their equipment on the first stages of the trip. is not on permanent assignment to

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KMHYMNAL and his section expects his return for reassignment in the near future. However, unless a replacement is forthcoming, it would be damaging to the operation to give up its most experienced QKLUCID hand, and it is hoped such a development may be avoided. It must be understood that all of the QKLUCID men have signed on as A.B's and perform normal shipboard duties.

e. [] of ZRCROWN origin, 45, (Contract Agent, \$8400 plus \$600 clothing and laundry allowance) was recruited by the ostensible owner as master. In that position, he was responsible for assembly of the crew and filled the remainder of the positions with the exception of [] (G), the steward, who replaced the original cook who resigned because of ill health in (H). [] is an experienced master and an excellent organizer. However, he has proved to be vacillating and moody, and he has asked to be relieved when the vessel reaches its station because he has no heart for an unusual undertaking. In addition, FJCape has every intention of replacing [] as soon as possible as he was found to be entirely responsible for a serious security violation in (I) which resulted in an embarrassing situation for [] and to ZRINFANT at high QKCIGAR levels. Very possibly he will be brought to trial. [] alone of those aboard knows of the source of the security leak.

f. [] (J), 47, (Contract Agent, \$4800 plus \$600 clothing and laundry allowance). Engineer aboard KMHYMNAL is a thoroughly experienced man in his field and would lend color to any crew as he is a seaman in the traditional sense - wizened, profane, tough. His fondness for women when ashore completes the picture, and his influence on this score with [] was one of the factors contributing to [] removal.

g. [] (L), 37, (Contract Agent, \$4800 plus \$600 clothing and laundry allowance) the navigator, is well suited for his present assignment by virtue of his theoretical and practical training. [] has spent years at sea and has written a text on navigation. His experience has also included training air line navigators and piloting Identity (L) for JBALERT (1943-46). Since then, he was in the charter airline business and has been continuing his education. Personally, [] is a very taciturn, thorough, industrious individual.

h. [] (M), 31, (Contract Agent, \$3600 plus \$600 clothing and laundry allowance) First Mate is a young but experienced hand fully capable of his job.

i. [] (N), 20, (Contract Agent, \$3600 plus \$600 clothing and laundry allowance) Second Mate is also a young seaman, but is fully qualified as he has been sailing constantly since age 16. Other qualifications include knowledge of (D) and photography and first aid training.

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j. [] 31, (Contract Agent. \$4800 plus \$600 clothing and laundry allowance) was hired by [] at (H) and has apparently turned in a satisfactory performance to date. []

[] writes that this man is an experienced sailor and navigator, in addition to being an excellent cook. Of ZRCROWN parentage, [] may prove temperamental, but [] is confident he is an asset to the project. Prior to joining the crew, [] ran a yacht charter business in (H).

2. [] will have numerous photographs of the entire complement upon his arrival in the event you want them for your files, and will fill in any details on the complement.

3. From the foregoing, it is apparent that the personnel problem is one of the most important factors in this undertaking. At the present time, we are seeking a suitable replacement for []. In the event the Captain's replacement is not available, [] is confident [] can skipper the KMHYMNAL with [] aid, and [] will be replaced at UVUEA or upon arrival at station. Also, bear in mind that []

[] must have no contact whatsoever with the BGSPEED Project as his presence aboard the KMHYMNAL was resented from the start as he was a member of the original crew and did not readily fit in with the new group. Naturally, [] must also be kept from contact with KMHYMNAL insofar as is possible as has been mentioned in 451-CWUAG. In addition to the Propaganda Staff, replacements for [] and [] must be added to the complement. If the proper type person can be found, an individual may be assigned to the KMHYMNAL to fill both [] and [] job, thereby freeing [] for other assignments. In addition, a Pixie-speaking HTCURIO citizen is being recruited for this project as a deputy to the Senior FJCape Officer. [] has pointed out that his relationship with the master is obviously a difficult one and the ultimate solution is placing overall responsibility in the hands of one individual.

4. All [] Personnel are paid by the cover organization with the exception of []. As his assignment to the vessel was on a short-term basis, it was not expedient to fully integrate him into []. Hence, his salary is being paid through normal channels, and arrangements for his return to HTCURIO should be made through FJCape, LCDRINK rather than by []. At present, his entire salary is deposited to his ZRMETAL bank.

5. All personnel are carrying HTCURIO passports with the exception of []. [] was forced to sign him on without any of the usual formalities, and it is hoped that documentation can be forwarded in the near future. In addition, all personnel with reserve or draft status have been properly cleared to go aboard as members of the [] expedition.

6. It is expected KMHYMNAL will spend a certain amount of time each month at (O). If that is the case, it is possible that [] should engage quarters of some type in that area where personnel may stay when necessary. Such a house would serve as a base for [].

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Furthermore, it may be advisable to have a vehicle attached to this base. If this is the case, have [] advise ZRMETAL, and [] will in turn see that it is promptly sent to the field.

7. An effort should be made to have up-to-date reading material provided for the crew on a regular basis. A 16 mm motion picture projector is aboard, and films should be obtained from ZRDEPOT channels or commercial channels on a loan basis.

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